IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Linenberger	Examiner:	UNKNOWN
Serial No.:	09/844,954	Group Art Unit:	UNKNOWN
Filed:	April 26, 2001	Docket No.:	40203.2USU1
Title:	METHOD AND APPARATUS TO PREPARE TRIM CAP MATERIAL FOR BENDING		

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS  
OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed on July 26, 2001.

Submitted herewith is the original Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by the sole inventor in this application. A check in the amount of \$65 for the fee associated with the filing of these documents is also enclosed.

A petition for an extension of time and a check in the amount of \$195.00 are submitted concurrently herewith.

It is believed that the foregoing represents all of the fees associated with the filing of these documents at this time. If applicant is in error, you are hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or deposit any excess in fees to Deposit Account No 13-2725, noting that it relates to Attorney Docket No. 40203.2-US-U1.

Respectfully submitted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2001.

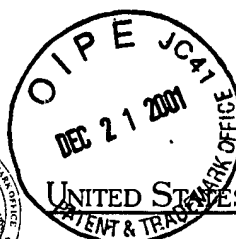


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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

**FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

***Filing Date Granted***

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);
- An abstract was not provided for this application. An abstract of the technical disclosure is required under 37 CFR 1.72(b).

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## CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

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I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service 'Express Mail Post Office To Addressee' service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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## MISSING PARTS

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Sir:

We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- ☒ Transmittal Sheet in duplicate containing Certificate of Mailing
- ☒ Signed Power of Attorney
- ☒ Small entity status has been previously established
- ☒ Signed Declaration
- ☒ Request for Extension of Time for two month(s) and fee of \$195.00
- ☒ Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application
- ☒ Check(s) in the amount of \$65.00 for Missing Parts surcharge
- ☒ Return postcard

Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers or any future reply, if appropriate. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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